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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY ACQUISITION:

Georg Raphael Donner, Austrian, 1692-1741, and Workshop

64.357 HOUSE ALTARPIECE, ca. 1740 Carved and gilded wood, H. 65" x W. 42-1/2"

Purchase, Leonard C. Hanna Jr. Bequest from Kut Rossacher

The carved and gilded wood HOUSE ALTARPIECE was probably designed by the Austrian artist Georg Raphael Donner, then executed by his Workshop, about 1740. It was designed for a private worshipper, perhaps, the Archbishop of Vienna by tradition. There are five cases with relics set in them on the sides of the altarpiece. In the middle, a wooden cross, perhaps composed of fragments from the true cross, is placed.